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In response to the final rejection mailed December 24, 2003, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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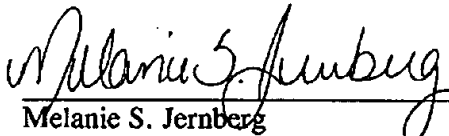
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Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Any fee for additional claims has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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Independent Claims	*3	Minus	***3	=0	x \$43	\$	x \$ 86	\$0
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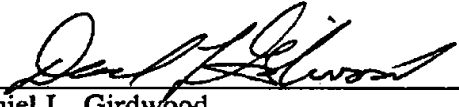
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